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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GORDON & GOTH, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTH, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTH, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTH, 30, Cornhill.

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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$1,300,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq. Deputy Chairman—Hon. W. KESWICK, Esq. E. R. BELL, Esq. WILHELM REINER, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. F. D. SARSON, Esq. H. HOFFMANN, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq. A. MOLVER, Esq.

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Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager. Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " " 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 per Annum. " 6 " 4 " " " " 12 " 5 " " " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at this Office.

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation, Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £2000,000. RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 3 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 per cent. " " " 12 " 5 per cent. " "

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

FINE NEW FIGS, direct from Smyrna.

Brazil and Barcelona NUTS.

LETT'S DIARIES for 1879.

Central and Pin Fire CARTRIDGE CASES.

CLOTH and FELT GUN-WADS.

American PARLOUR and COOKING STOVES.

COAL SCUTTLES, new designs.

FENDERS and FIRE IRONS.

COCOA MATTING.

TAPESTRY CARPET.

DOOR MATS.

California LAMBSWOOL BLANKETS.

WHITNEY BLANKETS.

REP and other TABLE COVERS, Fancy Patterns.

TABLE LINEN. Fine TURKISH TOWELS.

LINEN SHEETING. PILLOW LINEN.

GREEN and MARONE REP.

FLANNEL SHIRTINGS.

FANCY FLANNEL for Gents' Suits.

NAVY BLUE SERGE.

CLOTH TROWER LENGTHS, Assorted Patterns.

ALBUMS, in great variety.

CRUMB BRUSHES and TRAYS.

CHUBB'S CASH and DEED BOXES.

VEYRON'S AUTOMATIC COFFEE MACHINES.

COFFEE ROASTERS, TREMBLING CALL BELLS.

IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH.

DESSERT, DINNER and BREAKFAST SERVICES.

TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description.

FOLDING CHAIRS.

CIGARS, CIGARETTES.

KELLY'S FAMOUS CUT TOBACCOES.

HOUSEHOLD STORES, of every Description.

CLARET in Casks. MALT. HOPS.

AUSTRIAN SODA, CANADIAN POTASH.

CARBOLIC ACID. CHLORIDE OF LIME, &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

Auctions.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction on the Premises, on

SATURDAY.

the 22nd day of February, 1879, at Noon, if not previously sold by private contract, of which due notice will be given,—

THE ORIENTAL SUGAR REFINERY, situated on the Praya at Wanchai, now in complete working Order and capable of refining 500 piculs of raw sugar per day. The Property comprises all that valuable piece of ground situate at Wanchai, Hongkong, abutting on the North side on the Praya, and measuring thereon One Hundred and Sixty feet, on the South side on the Queen's Road, and measuring thereon Two Hundred feet, on the East side on a close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 42, and measuring thereon Five Hundred and Four feet, and on the West side on a close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 64 A, and measuring thereon Three Hundred and Eighty-two feet, containing in the whole 86,200 square feet, or nearly two statute acres, all level ground, registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot No. 40, held for an unexpired term of 979 years from 1863, with the valuable Messuages and Buildings thereon, which were especially built for the purposes of a Sugar Refinery according to Weirich's Patent and other approved processes, with the valuable new Machinery, Plant, Fixtures and Fittings thereon. Also the sole right and benefit of the Patent for Refining Sugar by the Weirich Process, obtained from the Government of Hongkong by WILLIAM MCGREGOR SMITH for the term of Fourteen Years from the 28th day of May, 1874.

There is an abundant and unfailing supply of fresh water on the Premises, ample for refining over 2,000 piculs of Sugar daily.

The whole Property will be sold free from all charges and Incumbrances save the Crown Rent and Taxes, subject to the conditions of Sale, which can be inspected at the Office of the Undersigned.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to WILLIAM HENRY BREZETON, Solicitor, No. 29 Queen's Road; Messrs SMITH, TOLLEN & JOHNSON, Solicitors, Supreme Court House; and Messrs STEPHENS & HOLMES, Solicitors, Club Chambers; or

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 6th day of Feb., 1879.

For Sale.

EX LATE ARRIVALS.

WOOLLEN SOCKS, DRAWERS and UNDERSHIRTS. LETT'S DIARIES. LETT'S DIARIES. RIDING WHIPS, BRIDLES and PONY HARNESS. RUG STRAPS, YORK HAMS, CHIT BOOKS. HORSE CLIPPERS, FILTERS, SILVER LAMPS. French and English BOOTS and SHOES. The New Patent LIFE VESTS. PONY HARNESS, CHUBB'S FIREPROOF SAFES. SALAMANDERS for Heating Baths.

WORKS OF REFERENCE, California APPLES. HAIR BRUSHES, BILLIARD CLOTHS. COPYING PRESSES, CHERRY'S HATS. SCARFS, COLLARS, KID GLOVES. FOOD WARMERS, CIGARETTES. CRICKET BATS, BALLS, GLOVES, &c. PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS. BATH TOWELS, PAINT BOXES. DAMASK for Table Cloths, STATIONERY. PATENT WATER CLOSETS, POCKET BOOKS. DOG COLLARS and CHAINS, TENNIS BALLS. CHILDREN'S BOOKS, VALISES.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's DRESSING BAGS, Fitted. AIR CUSHIONS, BILLIARD BALLS. SHORT SNIDERS with SWORD BAYONETS. BASS'S ALE, GUINNESS'S STOUT, Bottled by FOSTER. Bass in Hds., SACCOFFE'S SHERRIES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 9, 1879.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

ELEGANT AMERICAN and ENGLISH-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, OIL PAINTINGS, ENGRAVINGS, CHROMOS, OLEOGRAPHS, GLASS WARE, PLATED WARE, PIANO, &c., &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from H. S. LORING, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 25th February, 1879, at 2 p.m., at his Residence, United States Consulate, Arbuthnot Road,—

The whole of the ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

English-made Mahogany Drawing-room Suite.

American-made Cabinets, with Glass Doors.

Blackwood Tables, Handsomely Carved.

Blackwood Carved Marble-top Tables.

Crystal Gasaliers, Gas Bracketts, Carpets, Hearth-rugs, Engravings, Oil Paintings, and Chromos.

American Bronzes, Statuettes, and Ornaments.

English-made Mahogany Dining-room Suite.

English-made Mahogany Telescope Dining Table.

American-made Oak Sideboard, Handsomely Carved.

American-made Walnut Dining-room Chairs.

Dinner, Dessert, and Breakfast Sets, and Glassware.

American Plated-ware.

Double Brass Bedstead, Mahogany Cheval Glass with Marble-top Stands, Marble-top Toilet Table and Washstands, Lady's Wardrobe, American-made Walnut Wardrobe with Plate Glass Door.

Office Desks, Writing Tables, Book Shelves, Clocks, &c.

A COTTAGE PIANO, by JOHN BROADWOOD and Sons.

&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Monday, the 24th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 12, 1879. fe25

PUBLIC AUCTION.

By order of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CLUB LUSITANO, with the sanction of a majority of the Shareholders given in General Meeting.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,

the 1st March, 1879, at 2 p.m., on the Premises,—

Lot 1.—All that Piece or Parcel of GROUND, being portion of Inland Lot No. 125, measuring about 6,406 square feet, with a Frontage of 91 feet, more or less, on Egin Terrace; and the MATERIALS of that portion of the Building known as the LUSITANO THEATRE, being upon the said Piece of Ground.

Lot 2.—The GAS SUNLIGHT, BRACKETS, PIPES, and other GAS FITTINGS, and SEATS in the said Theatre.

Conditions of Sale and Particulars of the Property may be obtained upon application at the Office of the Undersigned, where also a Plan of the Premises may be seen.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 12, 1879. mal

Intimations.



NAVAL CONTRACT, 1879-80.

SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be Received by the Undersigned, until Noon on TUESDAY, the 25th Instant, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYING the following ARTICLES for the use of H. M. Navy for the Year 1879-80, viz:—

BISCUIT. RAISINS. SOFT BREAD. RICE. FRESH BEEF. SUGAR. FRESH VEGETABLES. TEA. WATER.

Printed Forms of Tenders and further particulars can be obtained at the Naval Storekeeper's Office.

The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

J. BRENNER, Storekeeper.

H. M. Victualling Yard, Hongkong, February 11, 1879. fe25

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Company's Office, 30, Queen's Road, Victoria, at Half-past Two o'clock in the Afternoon of MONDAY, the 24th February next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1878. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 24, 1879. fe24

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.

The Steamship "K'WANGTUNG."

Capt. FUKHARD, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 16th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co. Hongkong, February 12, 1879. fe16

AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR PORT DARWIN (DIRECT).

The Chartered Steamship "CHARLTON."

J. JOHNSON, Commander, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 17th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, February 13, 1879. fe17

FOR SINGAPORE, PORT DARWIN, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BRISBANE."

Captain REDDELL, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 22nd Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. Hongkong, February 11, 1879. fe22

FOR AMOY.

The Steamship "ESMERALDA."

Capt. CULLEN, shortly due, will have immediate despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, February 12, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TIBRE."

Commandant LE PONTREUX, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, February 14, 1879.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "DIEMER."

Commandant HENRIER, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent. Hongkong, February 14, 1879.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The Steamship "SAINT MARK."

Capt. T. J. JOHNSON, shortly expected from Singapore, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 13, 1879.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "HESPERIA."

JOHANNSEN, Master, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 14, 1879.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND).

The A 1 American Bark "HELENE."

Captain STOW, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, February 13, 1879. mal10

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON).

The A 1 American Bark "COLOMA."

Captain HALL, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, February 13, 1879. mal13

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Ship "MATCHLESS."

Captain DAWES, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, February 13, 1879. mal13

FOR HAMBURG.

The S 3 L. 1 German Schooner "HOLSTEIN."

KULPER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, February 5, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Ship "BLACK HAWK."

HOWLAND, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American Bark "ROSETTA McNEIL."

BROWN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

FOR LONDON.

The S 3 L. 1 Norwegian Ship "SUMARLIDE."

TORLAREN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL & Co. Hongkong, January 30, 1879.

FOR HONOLULU.

The A 1 American Barkentine "MIGNON."

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, ADEN,
COLOMBO, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND
PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 22nd February,
1879, at Noon, the Company's S.S.
YANGTSE, Commandant NOMEDEU,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for
the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until
4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m.,
on the 21st February, 1879. (Parcels are
not to be sent on board; they must be left
at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, February 13, 1879. fe23

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND THROUGH
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF
PEKING will be despatched for San
Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY,
the 24th Instant, at 3 p.m., taking
Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the
United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama, and other Japan
Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and
Inland Cities of the United States via Over-
land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and
Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central
and South America by the Company's and
connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to
England, France, and Germany by all
trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

On THROUGH PASSAGES TO EUROPE,
a REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER
CENT from Regular Rates is granted to
OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY,
and MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND
CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMISS-
ION.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m., of 23rd Instant. Parcel Packages
will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,
same day; all Parcel Packages should be
marked to address in full; value of same
is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland
Cargo should be sent to the Company's
Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage
and Freight, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 14, 1879. fe24

Occidental & Oriental Steam-
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED
STATES AND EUROPE,
IN CONNECTION WITH THE
CENTRAL

and
UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING
RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. BELGIO will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama,
on or about the 15th of March, 1879, at
3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for
Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until
4 p.m. of the 14th March. PARCEL
PACKAGES will be received at the Office
until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages
should be marked to address in full; value
of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-
SAGE TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. mr15

THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE
Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100
characters, and one cent a character
beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and
half price for repetitions during the first
week. Subsequent weeks' insertions will
be charged only one half the amount of the
first week's charge. Advertisements for
half a year and longer will be allowed a
deduction of 25 percent on the total amount,
and contracts for more favourable terms
can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish
Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all
the ports in the interior of China, all
the ports in Japan, in Saigon, Singapore,
Peking, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the
Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru
and other places where Chinese frequent.
When the list of Agencies is completed,
it will be published. Agents have been
already established in most of the above
places, and in important ports more than
one agent has been appointed at each.

To Let.

TO LET.

PORTION of a HOUSE, very suitable
for OFFICES and DWELLING, also
for a STORE, Queen's Road Central.
Possession 1st March next.

Apply to
LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, February 4, 1879.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65,
formerly known as the Blue Houses,
situate on Praya East:—

FIRST FLOOR, No. 2, with possession
1st February.
HOUSE No. 4, Praya East, either the
whole House or in Flats, with possession
on the 1st April next.

Also.

A FRONT and BACK ROOM in the
DWELLING to the eastward of the Pier,
with part of its spacious Verandah. Imme-
diate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS,
attached to Blue Houses at Wanchoi,
MARINE LOT 65.

Also.

A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close
to the Wanchoi Pier. Timber received on
Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to
MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED
GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10,
Praya Central.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS OFFICES and GO-
DOWNS, Nos. 54 and 60,
Praya Central.

Apply to
WO HANG,

Nos. 6 and 7, Praya West.

Hongkong, January 2, 1879.

For Sale.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE
CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I.
and II., A to M, with Introduction. Royal
8vo, pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL,
Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS
AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD
& Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs
KEAT & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use
of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now
ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

CHINA MAIL Office.

HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.

THE AMENDED HONG LIST,
in English and Chinese, con-
taining the Names of all the most
important Companies, Institutions
and Mercantile Houses in the
Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50
per dozen.

At the "China Mail" Office.

Insurances.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSUR-
ANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents in Hongkong for the above-
named Company, are prepared to Grant
Policies against FIRE on Buildings and
on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the
usual Rates, subject to an immediate Dis-
count of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable
reduction in Premium for Life Insurance in
China.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 13, 1878

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to grant In-
surances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on
Marine Risks to all parts of the World.
In accordance with the Company's Articles
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit,
are distributed annually to Contributors
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion
to the net amount of Premium contributed
by each, the remaining third being carried
to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,
General Agent.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to
grant Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at the
usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20
per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against Fire to the extent of
\$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored
therein, at current local rates, subject to a
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

BERLIN COLOGNE
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
BERLIN.

Guarantee Funds of the
Company's Reinsurers, M. 100,000,000
Shareholders' Capital, " 8,000,000
Premiums and Interests " 5,167,643
for 1877, " 1,606,122
Reserves, " 1,606,122

Makes a Grand Total of... M. 112,823,763

Capital Insured end of 1877, M. 1,924,507,681

THE Undersigned having been Appoint-
ed AGENTS GENERAL for the
above Company, are prepared to grant
Insurances to the extent of \$50,000 on
First-class Risks at Current Rates.

GROSSMANN & Co.,
Agents General.

Hongkong, January, 1879. fe15

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on
Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on
Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of
Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms
and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-
ceived, and transmitted to the Directors
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on
first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-
posals or any other information, apply to
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of
China and Japan, and at Singapore,
Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance
granted at the rates of Premium current at
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER
of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Corporation are
prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.
Policies at current rates payable either
here, in London or at the principal Ports
of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.
Policies issued for long or short periods at
current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.
Policies issued for sums not exceeding
£5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF
MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling
of which is paid up £ 100,000
Reserve Fund upwards of £ 120,000
Annual Income £ 250,000

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for the above Company at
Hongkong, Canton, Fookchow, Shanghai,
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 18, 1869.

Notices of Firms.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

HONGKONG AGENCY.
FROM Date Mr G. DE CHAMPEAUX
Assumes the Management of the
Company's Agency at this Port.

L. HENNEQUIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, February 13, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr WALTER SCOTT FITZ, in our
Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on
the 31st December last.

Mr CHARLES VINCENT SMITH is
admitted a Partner from this Date.

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1879. jyl

NOTICE.

I HAVE admitted Captain EDWARD
BURNIE to an Interest in my Busi-
ness of MARINE SURVEYOR.

R. H. CAIRNS.

Club Chambers,
Hongkong, February 6, 1879. mal

NOTICE.

MR. ROBERT BERNHARD has This
Day CEASED to be a Partner in our
Business.

HEINEMANN & Co.,
Ship Brokers.

Hongkong, January 17, 1879. fe17

NOTICE.

MR. EZEKIEL ABRAHAM SOLO-
MON has been admitted a Partner
in our Firm at this Port and in China,
from 1st January, 1879.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, January 24, 1879. fe24

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself as
a COMMISSION MERCHANT, &c.,
at No. 2, Queen's Road, under the Style of
"J. G. SMITH & Co."

J. GRANT SMITH.

Hongkong, January 1, 1879.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the
Undersigned in the Chinese Mail
華字日報 (Wah Tse Yat Po),
CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but
Debts prior to that Date will be received
and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Under-
signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
the services of Mr LEONG YOK ORUN,
an Translator and General Manager of the
newspaper, which under its new régime
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-
cellent medium for advertising; especially
as the Manager is able to devote his whole
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS will visit SHANGHAI
during the Summer Months, leaving
HONGKONG on the 1st of April next.

Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

HUTCHINGS

begs to announce to the Community
of Hongkong that he will be able to supply
BEEF, MUTTON, &c.,
from 1st October, and trusts that they may
grant him their support.

SHOP—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite
the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

Volume Seventh of the
"CHINA REVIEW."

NOW READY.

No. 3.—Vol. VII.
—OF THE—
"CHINA REVIEW"

CONTAINS—

Jottings from the Book of Rites.
Geographical Notes on the Province of
Kiangsi.
Ethnological Sketches from the Dawn of
History.

Coins of the "Ta-Tsing" Dynasty.
The Critical Disquisitions of Wang Ch'ung.
The Ballads of the Shi-king.
Translations of Chinese school-books.
Tonic and Vocal Modification in the
Fookchow Dialect.

Legislation and Law in Ancient China.
A Plea for "Fan-k'wai."
Short Notices of New Books and Literary
Intelligence.

Notes and Queries:—
Taxes on Industries in Canton.
A Bit of Folk-lore about Candles,
Lamps and Fire.

Legends on Chinese Porcelain.
Tame Birds.
To make a Tai (Antithesis).
"Respect This."

The Army of Kwangtung.
Gutta Serena in China.
Chinese Dialects.
"Confucius Losing a Horse in the
Desert."

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

China Mail Office.

Hongkong, January 27, 1879.

Intimations.

MOORE & Co.,
"VARIETY STORE,"
NEWS AGENTS AND TOBACCONISTS.
No. 42, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

TAKASHIMA COAL

THE Undersigned are prepared to De-
liver the above COAL, ex Godown,
in quantities to suit Purchasers.

LINSTEAD & Co.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. mal

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the RATE of 3%,
or \$2.25 per SHARE, declared at
the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Share-
holders held This Day, will be Payable at
the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING
CORPORATION on and after FRIDAY Next,
the 31st Instant.

Shareholders are requested to apply at
the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
P. A. DA COSTA,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 29, 1879.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS
STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at
Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS
GODOWNS, under European supervision,
and VESSELS Discharged alongside the
WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick
despatch.

MEYER & Co.,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my29

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER,
DR EASTLAKE will receive his
PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS,
No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the
MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

THE FOLKLORE OF CHINA;
BY
N. B. DENNY, Ph.D.

THE following are selected from nume-
rous notices which have appeared in
the London, Continental and Eastern
papers:—

Dr. Denny has done good service in
bringing together and presenting in read-
able form the hitherto scattered contribu-
tions to Chinese Folklore.—Times.

A very important addition to Folklore
literature.—Athenaeum.

The book is entertaining and adds a good
deal to the facts of comparative mythology.
—Pall Mall Budget.

A worthy pendant to Archdeacon Gray's
valuable volume—Graphic.

A very amusing and very instructive
book.—Spectator.

Adds useful testimony to curious infor-
mation.—The London

Entertainment.

ROYAL TYCOON JAPANESE TROUPE.

THIS Company has just completed a very successful tour through India, where they have had the honor of appearing before

HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE LORD LYTON, G.M.S.I., Viceroy and Governor-General of India.

And all the principal PRINCES and RAJAS. They have also travelled with great success through

ENGLAND! AUSTRALIA!! and NEW ZEALAND!!!

THEATRE ROYAL CITY HALL.

THIS AND MONDAY EVENINGS, the 15th and 17th February, 1879.

The Company is now returning home to Japan, and beg to inform the Public that they will give

TWO GRAND PERFORMANCES, ALL THE STARTLING WONDERS for which

THIS TROUPE IS FAMED And which have caused a great sensation wherever they have appeared.

READ THE PROGRAMME. THE JAPANESE INVISIBLE SNAKE

By TORA KITCHIE. The Greatest Wonder in Balancing ever witnessed.

THE JAPANESE MAGIC LADDER, by the Little Marvel—Eva KITCHIE.

This Astonishing feat performed by a mere child astonishes and delights all beholders.

BENDING AND CONTORTION, By MAY KITCHIE.

Who has been pronounced by the Press to be a Living Wonder.

SNAKE ROPE PERFORMANCE, By LITTLE JAPANESE TOMMY.

THE SWINGING BAMBOO, By EVA KITCHIE.

JAPANESE MAGIC INTRODUCING THE WONDERFUL BIRD CAGE TRICK.

JAPANESE TOP SPINNING and MAGIC DAGGER, By MEMBERS OF THE TROUPE.

JAPANESE TUMBLING in which Act, TORA KITCHIE will leap through

A HOOP OF FIRE!!!

SINGLE TRAPEZE AND BALANCING, By EVA KITCHIE.

DOUBLE SWINGING TRAPEZE, By the Japanese Sisters MAY and EVA.

THE GREATEST WONDER OF THE 19TH CENTURY "LA PERCHE."

THE GREAT AMERICAN ROPE-TYING TRICK.

The whole forming a Pleading, and Astonishing Entertainment.

The Company can positively only Perform TWO NIGHTS.

So embrace the opportunity and Come Early.

By kind permission of Colonel JACO and Officers of the 74th Regiment, a portion of the Band will Perform during the Evening.

Doors Open at 8.30, to Commence at 9 p.m.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: Upstairs, \$2. Downstairs, \$1. Children, Half Price.

Tickets to be had at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and at the Doors of the Theatre.

Hongkong, February 15, 1879. feld

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

PACIFIC, German steamer, Capt. Hermann—Siemssen & Co.

BREITENBURG, German barque, Capt. R. Hajo—Molchows & Co.

S. B. ALLEN, American barque, Captain L. Taylor—Meyer & Co.

TRINOVALLA, Danish steamer, Captain Molsen—Meyer & Co.

ARAWAKA, British barque, Captain Thos. Pearson—Master.

Notice to the Shareholders.

FROM HAMBURG, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Hesperia*, Capt. JOHANNSEN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m. To-morrow, the 16th Instant. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 16th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 14, 1879. feld

BRITISH SHIP JAMES SHEPHERD, FROM LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, February 14, 1879. feld

Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON, AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE S. S. *Radnorshire* having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned into their Godowns, whence and from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless applied for by the Consignees by 11 a.m. To-morrow.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 18th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 11, 1879. feld

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. *AVANT*.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Copernic*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before To-day, the 8th Instant, at Noon, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATURDAY, the 15th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, February 8, 1879.

Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above-named Company, will be held at the Company's Office, No. 39, Queen's Road, in the city of Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 10th day of March next, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of passing certain Special Resolutions providing for the following alterations in the Constitution and Articles of Association of the Company; viz:—

1.—That the Business of the Company be in future managed by a Board of Directors and a Secretary instead of the former and General Agents as heretofore.

2.—That if in the opinion of the Directors the Business of the Company in any year be such as not to warrant the Payment of Interest at \$12 per cent. per annum on the Paid-up Capital, they may during such year reduce such Rate to such lower amount as they may consider desirable for the Interests of the Company.

3.—To enable the Directors if a necessity shall arise to pay such Interest or any part thereof out of the Reserve Fund.

4.—To provide that when there shall be profits applicable for dividend the same shall be divisible by the Shareholders in Meeting shall determine.

5.—That notice may be given of all Meetings of the Company.

6.—That Clause 147 of the Articles of the Company be expunged, leaving future changes in the Regulations of the Company to be made as provided for by Ordinance No. 1 of 1865.

NOTICE is hereby also given, that a Second EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company, will be held at the same Hour and Place on MONDAY, the 24th day of March next, for the purpose of confirming such Special Resolutions as may be passed at the First mentioned Meeting.

Dated this Third day of February, 1879.

By Order, J. BRADLEE SMITH, General Agent.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, Club Chambers, on MONDAY, 24th February, 1879, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1878; and for the election of Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th Instant, both days included.

By Order of the Board of Directors, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 6, 1879. feld

NOTICE.

MRS. J. F. ROSE begs to intimate to the Ladies of HONGKONG, CANTON and the Coast Ports that on the 1st MARCH she will OPEN a DRESS-MAKING and DRESS-MAKING Business in the Premises lately occupied by Messrs. ROSE & Co., next door to the Hongkong Hotel, Queen's Road.

All communications to be addressed to Mrs. J. F. ROSE, as the Business will be conducted on her sole account.

Hongkong, February 1, 1879. mal

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "HESPERIA,"

JOHANNSEN, Master, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 17th Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 15, 1879. feld

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending 31st December last, at the Rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1 8s.) per Share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after MONDAY, the 17th Current, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, OUT-HOUSES, OFFICES and GODOWNS,

Recently occupied by Messrs W. PUSTAU & Co.

Apply to LINSTEAD & Co. Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

SWISS LLOYD TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY OF WINTERTHUR.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, have this Day taken over charge of the Hongkong Agency, and are prepared to grant INSURANCE on MARINE RISKS at Current Rates to all parts of the World.

MEYER & Co. Hongkong, February 10, 1879.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Ex "Ava."

R. U. S. No. 111, Order, 1 case Drapery, from London.

A. M. E. (in diamond) A. M. O. (underneath) No. 8/9, Order, 2 cases Haberdashery, from London.

H. J. A. H. (in cross) No. 107, Aldridge Salmon & Co., 1 case Hosiery, from London.

Hongkong, February 15, 1879.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 15, *Esmeralda*, British steamer, 395, R. Cullen, Manila Feb. 12, General—RUSSELL & Co.

Feb. 15, *Namoa*, British steamer, 862, G. Westoby, Focchoh Feb. 12, Amoy 13, and Swatow 14, General.—DOUGLAS LAFFRAIX & Co.

Feb. 15, H. M. S. *Iron Duke*, from a cruise.

Feb. 15, *Hermine*, German barque, 350, F. Meyer, E-on Jan. 27, General.—CHINSE.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 15, *Radnorshire*, for Yokohama.

15, *Thingalla*, for Saigon.

15, *Ningpo*, for Shanghai.

15, *Malacca*, for Europe, &c.

15, *Diamant*, for Amoy &c.

15, *Arratoon*, for Manila.

15, *Arratoon*, for Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.

15, *Moray*, for Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.

15, *Nicolaus*, for Yap (Caroline Island).

CLEARED.

Kwangtung, for Coast Ports.

Teucer, for London, &c.

Me-hi, for Hoihow.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Namoa*, from Coast Ports, Mr. Mrs and Master Grog and 3 servants, Mr. and Mrs. Drishaus, Mr. and Mrs. Moran and child, Messrs E. P. Northey, Menney, Baptista and B. Shaar, 3 Europeans deck, and 180 Chinese.

Per *Esmeralda*, from Manila, 54 Chinese.

Per *Hermine*, from E-on, 10 Annamese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Malacca*, from Hongkong, for Venice, Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie, 3 children and European and Native female servants; for Singapore, Mr. W. A. Main; for Bombay, Messrs B. S. Mehta, S. F. Mehta and Native servant, S. R. Futakia, and Dr. Carlos Otorio; for Southampton, Messrs Joseph Pitkin and John Pitkin.

From Shanghai, for Southampton, Mrs. Krause, 4 children and ayah, and Mrs. Cory, infant and ayah.—From Yokohama, for Suva, Rev. C. F. Meyers; for Southampton, Mr. A. Smithfield.

Per *Radnorshire*, for Yokohama, Captain Dundas.

Per *Ningpo*, for Shanghai, Mr. Giltzow.

Per *Diamant*, for Manila, Messrs C. F. Tremlett, and 100 Chinese.

Per *Arratoon*, for Singapore, &c., Messrs A. Agar, Guyon, Mariani, Dr. Thayer, Johnston Allen, and Harrison, and 120 Chinese.

Per *Moray*, for Calcutta, Mr. Seaton; for Straits, 176 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Esmeralda* reports: Left Manila on the 12th inst. Had moderate and fresh monsoon and cloudy weather throughout the passage.

The German barque *Hermine* reports: Left port on the 27th January, and strong monsoon and fine weather.

The British steamer *Namoa* reports: Left Focchoh at 11.25 a.m. the 13th inst. Passed Co's str. Douglas in River. Arrived Amoy at 7.50 a.m. on the 15th, moderate N.E. winds and fine weather. Left Amoy at 4.55 p.m. same day. Arrived at Swatow at 6.45 a.m. on 16th. S. B. Puso left 4.30 p.m. for Amoy. Left Swatow at 8.50 p.m. Passed a steamer off Tide Point at 7 p.m. 14th inst. steaming N.E. and a Castle line steamer off Single Island on the 15th. Had light wind, fine weather and smooth sea to port. In Focchoh Chinese cruiser *Ling Feng*, and S. S. *Europa*. In Amoy S. S. *Emmy*, and Taiwan. In Swatow Chinese cruiser *Fukien*, S. S. *Chiefa*, *Fengshing*, and *Tungking*.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For HOIHOW & HAIPHONG, (with Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi). Per Me-hi, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the 16th inst.

For MANILA.—Per *Mariveles*, at 9.30 a.m., on Monday, the 17th inst.

For AMOY.—Per *Esmeralda*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 17th inst.

For PORT DARWIN.—Per *Charlton*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 17th inst.

For SHANGHAI.—Per *Hwai Yuen*, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 17th inst.

For BANGKOK.—Per *Marjannathwar*, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 20th inst.

For SAIGON.—Per *Pernambuco*, at 4.30 p.m., on Friday, the 21st inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Yangtze* will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India (via Madras), Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

Correspondence cannot be Registered after 11.45 a.m.

The Mails will be closed at Noon. Supplementary mail on board with 18 cents late fee till time of departure.

Correspondence for Southern and Western Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Gallo.

Hongkong, Feb. 11, 1879. feld

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *City of Peking* will be despatched on MONDAY, the 24th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.

2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies (except the Bahamas and Hayti), Monte Video, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent by this route.

Hongkong, February 14, 1879. feld

HOURS OF CLOSING.

THE CONTRACT MAILS.

The following hours are observed in closing Mails, &c., by both the British and French Contract Packets:—

Day before departure.—

5 p.m.—Money Order Office closes; Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Day of departure.—

7 a.m.—Post Office opens.

10 a.m.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.

11 a.m.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.

11.10 a.m.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents until

11.30 a.m.—when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.40 a.m.—Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 18 cents until time of departure.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, February 12:—

Goods per *Radnorshire* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, February 20:—

11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the China Sugar Refining Co., Limited, at Messrs J. Matheson & Co.'s office.

FRIDAY, February 21:—

Goods per *Hesperia* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, February 22:—

Noon.—*Brisbane* leaves for Singapore, &c.

Noon.—French Mail leaves for Cor. of Call and Europe.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.

MONDAY, February 24:—

2.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 39, Queen's Road.

3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Limited, at Club Chambers.

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

5 p.m.—Meeting of United Service Lodge.

TUESDAY, February 25:—

Noon.—Naval Contract Tenders close for the Supply of Provisions.

2 p.m.—Sale of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr. Loring's residence, Arbuthnot Road.

WEDNESDAY, February 26:—

3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited, at No. 7, Queen's Road.

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| Do. Minimum over night | | | 60 |

Portfolio.

IN THE WRONG BOX.

(Hoot's Comic Annual.)

When Eagle Davis died,
I was sitting by his side,
'T was in Boston, Massachusetts; and he
said to me, "Old boy!
This climate—as you see—
Isn't quite the size for me;
Dead or livin', take me back! If you can to
Kilany!"

So I took him by the hand,
But he'd just run out his sand,
And his breath was gone for ever—before a
word would come;
Then I and other three,
Together did agree,
In a party for to travel and to funeralize
him home.

But Goshen Wheeler said,
As he looked upon the dead,
Weepin' mildly, "Just remark my observa-
tion what I say:
That deceased, now glorious,
Was in life a curious ones,
And somethin' unexpected will happen
on the way.

"From the time that he was born
Till he doubled round the Horn
Of Death, all his measurements and pleu-
suraements were odd.
And odd his line will be
As you're registered to see
Till his walnut case is underneath the
gravel and the sod."

It was bitter winter weather
When we all four got together
At the depot with the coffin in an extra
packin' box,
A cask of whiskey sent,
Just to keep our boots from crackin', as
they say, upon the rocks.

Then a ticket agent he
Seen'n mortal, says to me,
"Can I get the cards, or help you in your
trouble, Mister Brown?"
So with solemn words I said,
As I pointed to the dead,
"There you'll find, I guess, our pilgrimage
and shrine is written down."

Then all night beneath the stars,
We sat grimly in the cars,
Sometimes sleepin', sometimes thinkin',
sometimes drinkin', till the dawn;
And each man went in his turn
To the baggage crate to learn
If the box was keepin' time with us; and
how 't was gettin' on.

Then all day beneath the sun,
Still the train went rushin' on,
While we still kep' as silent as grave-stones
as we went;
Playin' euchre solemnly,
Which we kinder did agree
With the stakes to build for Davis a decent
monument.

'Bout once in every mile
Some mourner took a smile,
But we did no other similes as we travelled
day or night,
And once in every hour
Some one went into the bowler,
And reported the receptacle of Davis was
all right.

But when four days were past,
Which we still were styin' fast,
Goshen Wheeler, very solemn, with expres-
sion to us cries,
"Where we are it should be freezin'
And our very breaths a-squeezin',
Whereas the air is hot enough to bake
perishmen pies."

"Don't you smell a rich perfume
As of summer flowers in bloom?
Tis magnolias a peddled by yon humble
coloured boy!
Now, I never yet did know
That the sweet mag-nol-i-o
Grew in winter in the latitude of Northern
Kilany."

Then said Ebenezer Dotson,
"I behold a field of cotton,
And I wonder how in thunder such a
veg'table got here.
I don't know how we're fixed,
But the climate's gettin' mixed,
And it's spilin' very rapidly with warmness
as I fear."

Spoke Master Aaron Bland,
"I perceive yonder land
That sugarcane is bloomin', correctly, all
in rows,
And not to make allusions
To Republican delusions,
But the niggers air gettin' all around as
thick as crows."

Still we sat there mighty glum
Till along a fellow come
And I says, "Conductor, now tell
us what it means,
Just inf'rm us where we be?"
"Well, now, gentlemen," said he,
"I seek a we air comin' to the spot called
New Orleaus."

So we rushed all in a row,
When we got to the depot,
To the leggage-vote a wonderin' at these
transformation scenes;
And we found out unexpected,
That the box had been directed
Not unto Kilany, but to a man in New
Orleaus!

Without carin' if I'd catch it,
I straightway took a hatchet,
And bursted off the cover without openin'
my mouth;
And lo! a grand pianino
Which we'd followed for our banister
All the way from Massachusetts unto the
sunny South!

Then I said, "I rather guess
I can see into this mess,
And explain the startlin' error which has
given you such shocks.
When that Boston fellow, he
Asked the route I'd take of me,
I pointed, inadvertently, unto another box."

Now Eagle Davis lies
Beneath the Northern skies,
While the snow is on the pine-trees while
we are with the palm,
But I reckon if he spirit
Should ever come to hear it,
He'll be perfectly contented with the story
in this paper.

CHARLES D. LORRAINE.

THE CALEDONIAN BANK.

Edinburgh, Dec. 5.

The stoppage or suspension of the Caledonian Bank of Inverness, caused by its resolution to liquidate, has produced very great uneasiness both in Glasgow and in Edinburgh to-day, although every one has been trying to convince his neighbour, if not himself, that it is a small affair, and that all will come right in the end. That it is a small affair is true, when it is compared with the Glasgow failure. That it will come right in the end is also true, as every one believes; but no one can foretell the amount of damage that will be done or the amount of suffering that will be caused before the end comes. The circumstances which have led to the stoppage are a sufficient cause for anxiety in this respect. It is said that the suspension is only an incident of the commercial crisis brought on by the suspension of the City of Glasgow Bank. That is in one sense true, but it is in no sense all the truth. The stoppage is not a consequence of the Glasgow failure in the sense in which that of Morton and Co., or of Matthew, Buchanan, and Co., or of Smith, Fleming and Co., was a result of that failure; that is to say, the Inverness Bank is no way mixed up in the irregular transactions which have caused so much scandal and so much ruin. In this respect the Caledonian Bank is blameless—as blameless as the most innocent and unfortunate contributor of the defaulting bank. In truth, it was in a more favourable position than any other shareholder, inasmuch as its holding is small (only four shares), while its resources are large, its paid-up capital, its surplus fund, and its building fund balance, all intact, amounting to £250,000. It is quite safe to say, therefore, that the Glasgow failure need not have caused this stoppage. And it would not have done so if the depositors, on the one hand, and the shareholders, on the other, had "kept their heads" and shown ordinary prudence and care. But this they have not done, and hence the failure. The collapse is, in fact, due mainly to the distrust of the Highlanders. It is quite safe to say that they will suffer heavily and long; but, in truth, the native perversion is to blame for it, and nothing else.

Ever since it became known that the Caledonian Bank held four shares in the City of Glasgow Bank, the panic feeling in the north has been steadily growing. There has been a steady run on the head office in Inverness and on the three-and-twenty branches since the middle of October. This was due to nothing but vague and inaccurate knowledge. To Tondal and Tavish, the fact that "one bank was broken" was a sufficient reason why all banks should be distrusted, and especially a bank that held shares in the shipwrecked concern. The banks, therefore, should have none of their money; they would tie it up in a stocking or sew it into the mattress rather; and thus the drain went on from day to day and from week to week. This was bad enough; but still worse was the conduct of the shareholders—often of wealthy and intelligent men who ought to have known better. They began hurriedly and nervously to get rid of their shares, both publicly through the Stock Exchanges and by private arrangement. The natural consequence was that the shares fell—at first steadily and at last rapidly and alarmingly. The nominal capital is £200,000 in £10 shares, of which only £210s. has been called, making a working capital of £150,000. The bank has been so prosperous that it has frequently paid a dividend of £12 and £14 per cent. per annum. It is not surprising, then, that the price of the shares went up to a high figure. In the end of September the £2 10s. share sold for £7 8s. 9d. On the 23rd of November they had fallen to £3, and by the middle of that month to £1 10s., or £1 below par. As this decline was accompanied, and no doubt in part caused, by the wild rumours that were flying all over the north as to the implication of the Caledonian Bank with the City of Glasgow Bank, the directors of the former deemed it necessary to issue a circular to their shareholders explaining how matters really stood. In this circular, which was issued on November 21st, the directors stated that their only connection with the City of Glasgow Bank was their holding of four of its shares, which had been made over to them some years ago by a customer who obtained a credit. They then pointed out that the highest estimate of the probable calls that had been made was £2,000 per £100 share, and that in that case the maximum loss to their bank would be £8,000—a loss which, with their capital and their reserves amounting to a quarter of a million, they therefore appealed to their shareholders and their customers to be calm and reasonable and confident. This explanation and appeal had a good effect for a time, but only for a time. The run continued, and the desire to transfer stock was not checked.

At this point the liquidators of the City of Glasgow Bank thought it necessary to step in. They could not see one of their most promising milk cows starved and dried up without concern. Fearing lest the wealthier shareholders of the Caledonian Bank, on whom they chiefly relied, might be quietly divesting themselves, they took the decisive step of requiring the directors to lay aside £150,000 to meet the probable calls which might be made on them. When the Caledonian directors demurred to this course the liquidators threatened to apply to the Court of Session for an order to close the transfer register of the bank. As this would have led to litigation and publicity that would have been ruinous to the directors agreed to the arrangement that the Caledonian Bank should go into liquidation, the other banks agreeing to take up the notes in circulation, and also to pay the deposits as soon as the compact has been sanctioned by the Court of Session. There is no reason to fear that the bank will not be able to meet all claims without making any call on its shareholders, who are 945 in number, and hold on an average about 60 shares each. The paid-up capital of the bank will be set aside for the liquidators of the City of Glasgow Bank, while its surplus and other assets will be applied to the purposes of its own liquidation.

What strikes many people as remarkable is that the Glasgow liquidators should have deemed it necessary to arrest so large a sum as £150,000 in security for the probable or possible calls on only four shares. This means, it is said, that about 60 shares each. The paid-up capital of the bank will be set aside for the liquidators of the City of Glasgow Bank, while its surplus and other assets will be applied to the purposes of its own liquidation.

demand security to that amount they have any expectation or any fear that they may require to call to any such extent. In the interest of their creditors, they are bound to make themselves secure, and to leave a margin broad enough to cover possibilities of which at this stage they can form no conception. The fact and the sum are nevertheless remarkable. The counsel for the liquidators in a recent case (the Lord Advocate) stated very positively that they had not the smallest fear of their being unable to pay every creditor in full. If this demand may be taken as an indication of the kind of estimate on which this conviction rests, the case must be a much more hopeless one for all concerned than the most despondent have supposed. It looks almost as if the liquidators had made up their minds to go on milking the Caledonian Bank after all the other contributors had been drained dry.

Though there is every probability that this Highland bank will survive the present crisis or will be revived in some form, its suspension in the meantime will be a terrible blow to the commerce of the north and north-east of Scotland. During the 40 years of its existence it has rendered invaluable service to the Highlands by employing local wealth in the development of local industries. In this respect its action was directly the reverse of that of the City of Glasgow Bank, and, indeed, of most of the metropolitan banks. What the City of Glasgow Bank did was to suck money from the provinces for the use of the great cities, the populous centres of industry, and, in fact, the wide commercial world. The Caledonian Bank to some extent counteracted this by saving a considerable share of Highland capital for Highland purposes. It was the heart of a widely-spread organization, and its sudden stoppage will paralyse to some extent the system of the north. It must, in the nature of the case, be a long time before that system recovers strength and tone. It will be long, too, before that confidence in this bank, or in any bank, can be restored, on which healthy trade so much depends. It is for the interest of the other banks that the evils of the confusion should be minimized; and this they are making a combined effort to do.

THE UNITED STATES CONSULATE AT SHANGHAI.

The New York Herald says:—The House Committee on Expenditures under the State Department continued their investigation of consular affairs in China by commencing the cross-examination of Mr. G. Wiley Wells. Minister Seward and various other persons involved in the inquiry were present, together with their respective counsel, including Judge R. T. Merrick, ex-Senator Matt Carpenter, and Mr. Coleman. Mr. Wells, in response to the questions of Judge Merrick, reiterated the general purport of his previous testimony in regard to finding when he assumed charge of the office of Consul-General at Shanghai that the documents had been abstracted and records mutilated during the administration of Messrs Seward and Bradford, and that, for instance, there were no papers on file showing the Williams' bequest to the Sunn Harbour Hospital at New York. Judge Merrick at this point produced three papers, thus showing that they had not been lost or destroyed. Mr. Wells was next cross-examined at great length concerning his testimony that the Consul-General's docket in judicial proceedings had been kept in a defective and irregular manner; that pages had been torn out, &c. Reasserting this testimony, Mr. Wells added that "the docket had the appearance of a butcher's book." Whereupon Mr. Seward excitedly remarked, "That is false," and Mr. Wells, with still greater warmth, rejoined, "If you say so, you are a liar!" Mr. Seward was on the point of replying, but Judge Merrick and members of the committee interposed to prevent further colloquy. Mr. Wells, however, informed Chairman Springer that unless he could be protected by the Committee from such insulting interruptions he must protect himself. Mr. Springer having assured the witness that the Committee would protect him, and having notified Mr. Seward that he must not speak to the witness while under cross-examination, except through his lawyer, the sensational episode ended, and the cross-examination proceeded without eliciting any new points of interest.

A MODEL POLICY.

Leo XIII. does not imitate the example of his predecessor in quibbling and suiting with everybody who differs from him. On the contrary, since his accession he has been constantly engaged in his avowed, golden bridges for every one who has a pleasure for him to retire. Thus he has in several instances written letters to the German Emperor congratulating him on his escape from divers attempted murders, and generally as marks of courtesy, but in reality with a view to keep himself before the Emperor's mental eye, and so to propitiate him as to secure a somewhat better position for the Romish clergy of Germany. The negotiations that were entered upon to this end last May have been broken off long since, but a full Leo XIII. tries to "keep in" with William I., and the Emperor's return to the helm of the State afforded the Pope another opportunity of addressing a letter of congratulation to him, which has since been followed by a letter from Cardinal Nina, the Secretary of State, to Prince Bismarck. By dint of hammering on and on, it is thought that the recalcitrant nail can be driven home yet, and the temporal position of the Romish Church in Germany improved without any sacrifice of principle.

The same plan that has hitherto been followed for Germany has likewise been adopted both for Russia and Switzerland. In the Russian provinces of Podolia and Volhynia, which were Russia's first share in the Partition of Poland, the Romish Christians were worse off than the Christians ever were in Turkey; and but within the last few years thousands of "Unites" have been pressed into the ranks of the Greek Orthodox Church by means of that unanswerable argument, powder and shot. Notwithstanding this Leo XIII. tries to keep on good terms with Alexander II., and makes no opportunity of doing some little good turn to his spiritual subjects in the ex-Republic of Poland. In the same way he deals with the Federal Council of Switzerland. In that commonwealth persecution, as it is termed by the Curia, has been rife for several years; and in the Canton of Geneva and in the cantons belonging to the diocese of Basle, the Church of Rome has been in a state of suffering since Plo Nonno tried to force M. Merilland as a Bishop upon the people of Geneva against their will. Negotiations are now going on also

for the purpose of bringing about an understanding with Switzerland, and one important concession which is being asked for, and likely to be granted, is the election of the priests by the people, subject only to the approval of the bishop. Such a concession is likely to satisfy all parties concerned, with the sole exception of the "Old Catholics," who will have to go to the wall. —Overland Mail.

THE WILDE ELECTRIC LIGHT.

(Times.)

In a recent general article upon the subject of the electric light we referred to the circumstance that several practical minds were then busily engaged in working out special systems of electric lighting. One of these gentlemen was Mr. Henry Wilde, of Manchester, who, it will be remembered, a few months since instituted legal proceedings in the new type of Gramme alternating current machine. Mr. Wilde having designed a complete system of electric lighting apparatus and having just developed it into a practical shape, a private view was afforded last Friday evening to a few scientific gentlemen and others interested in the subject. The experimental lighting was exhibited at the telegraphic apparatus works of Messrs. L. Clark, Muirhead, and Co., Regency-square, Westminster.

The Wilde electric light apparatus consists of an electromagnetic induction machine producing alternating currents and a carbon-holder or lamp of very simple construction. The machine is the outcome of several years of patient study and practical research, and has passed through many changes since the first one was described before the Royal Society by Mr. Wilde some 12 years since, when he announced the discovery that electric currents and magnets indefinitely weak could, by induction and transmission, produce magnets of indefinite strength. The large machine consists of a disc of cast-iron which is mounted on a horizontal driving shaft. Attached to the disc and projecting from either side of it are 16 cores or armatures, while on either side of these again are 16 cylindrical electro-magnets, which are fixed to the side-framing at the same distance from the driving shaft and from each other as the iron cores on the revolving disc. The two circles of magnets, consequently, have their poles opposed to each other with the disc and its circle of iron cores revolving between them. The cylindrical bar magnets are each coiled with 650ft. of insulated copper wire, and the helices are arranged to form a fourfold circuit 2,500ft. in length. They are joined up in such a manner that adjacent magnets in each circle, as well as those directly opposite in both circles, have north and south polarity in relation to each other. The length of insulated wire on each armature is 116ft., and these helices are divided into eight groups of four each and coupled up for an intensity of 4ft. + 44ft. One of the groups is used for producing the minor current for exciting the circle of electro-magnets, while the remaining groups are joined together for a quantity of seven and an intensity of four for the production of the major current from the machine. The helices for exciting the electro-magnets are connected with a commutator, while those producing the major current are placed in connexion either with a pair of rings outside the machine or with another commutator according as the alternating or direct current from the machine is required. This machine, which is of 16-light power, was exhibited, but not used upon the occasion of our visit, a smaller one having only ten cores fixed on either side of the revolving disc, and ten cylindrical electro-magnets placed on either side of them being employed. In all other respects the smaller machine is similar to the larger one. The current is led away to the lamps by conductors in the usual cylindrical casing, which is encased in an iron framing, the whole apparatus measuring 3ft. high by 8ft. 6in. long and 4ft. wide and being driven off a pulley by belt.

The light is produced by means of a pair of carbon rods each about 7in. long and three-sixteenths of an inch in diameter. Were these rods united laterally by an insulating material they would form the Jablochhoff candle. But they are not, being fixed in a pair of holders, parallel to each other, in a vertical position, and about one-eighth of an inch apart. On producing the electric light from the ends of these carbons, if the strength of the current, the thickness of the carbons, and the distance between them be rightly proportioned, the carbons will burn steadily down until they are wholly consumed. In order to light the carbons automatically and to prevent any interruption in the continuity of the current extinguishing all the lights in the same circuit, one of the carbon holders is hinged to a small cast-iron base plate, which is so constructed as to become an electro-magnet when coiled with a few turns of insulated wire. When no current is being transmitted through the carbons their upper parts are always in contact, being maintained so by a spring under the hinged carbon holder. When, however, an alternating current is transmitted through the carbons, the electro-magnet attracts the armature and separates the upper ends of the carbons, which the light is immediately produced. Should the circuit be interrupted the armature is released, the upper ends of the carbons come into contact, and the light is produced as before. When several pairs of carbons are placed in the same circuit they are by this arrangement lit simultaneously.

All these parts were very clearly and successfully demonstrated last Friday evening. The machine used was, as we have stated, a small one, and was considered equal to the production of at least eight lights, having an illuminating power of from 800 to 1,000 candles each. The machine was driven through a belt and shafting by power taken from an engine used for driving the machinery on the works; hence the precise amount of power required to drive the electromagnetic apparatus could not be ascertained; and, moreover, this engine not being specially governed so as to insure that great essential of success, steady, uniform speed of working, the light produced was at times somewhat variable. It was stated, however, that the power required is about 1-horse power per light. The machine was worked at 800 revolutions per minute, and the eight lights would be produced from two circuits of four lights each. On Friday, however, only three lights were experimented with, one being placed in the factory and the other two in the yard. The single light was protected by an apron glass globe,

but a pair of naked carbons was also used alternately with the protected pair to show the intensity of the light, and the illustration of the facility with which the current could be switched from one pair to the other and back again. The two lights in the yard were of the kind proposed for street illumination. They were hexagonal lanterns filled in with ground glass and surmounted by a reflector 2ft. 6in. diameter. They were mounted on standards about 16ft. high and 60ft. apart. The standards happened to be there, and so were utilized for mounting the lamps, otherwise the distance between the two lights would have been considerably greater, as it well could have been. An excellent light was produced, but it was clear that the standards were far too near each other. The single light in the factory was also of a very high standard, and burnt very steadily, excepting only when the slight aberrations of the engine caused a variation in the uniformity of the current. On the whole, considering that this was the first practical trial of the Wilde light and that some of the details were somewhat crude and incomplete, the results were very satisfactory. We should add that this system of electric lighting is being introduced by the Electric Lighting Company, of 48, Lothbury.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Perth, W. A., 30th Dec, 1878.—The success of Novelly, on the Singapore course, the news of which has just arrived by telegram, has afforded great satisfaction to the breeders of racing stock. Novelly, though a fairly good, honest, little horse, was quite a second class racer on the West Australian turf and only won at the last Perth meeting because the year was an unusually bad one—worse indeed both as to the character of the horses engaged and the time in which the principal events were run than any on record. The year previous, when there were some first class horses in the field, he was nowhere—did not win a race. His success at Singapore therefore shows that it is easy for this colony to send horses there which can beat anything they are likely to encounter from other quarters. Were Novelly running in Perth course this year, he would not get a place. Even at the Guildford meeting—a small country affair—held last week, the horses in some races made even time, and the winners could have done much more, had it been required of them. Rosebud, Novelly's old antagonist, has been so beaten at the North that his trainer has advised her not being sent down to Perth, and Deefoot, who two years ago beat Novelly, has been easily defeated over a two mile course by a horse which was giving him a stone. As amongst the horses engaged in the events just coming on, several are of a stamp suitable for India—low, compact horses with stride and staying power—it is not unlikely that some of them may come your way.

This year Sir Harry Ord stays in town for the races, having actually put off his annual retirement to his abiding box at Rottnest on purpose to attend them. A year ago he was new to the place and did not understand the temper of the people, but this year he sees it is necessary to be more considerate. He is not popular, though he no doubt means well, and people give him credit for doing so. He meddles too much with matters out of his province, and is too much under the idea that he is the only person in the colony who knows anything, and is much too positive. In the confident expectation that a loan bill for heterogeneous purposes, which he got the Council to pass and which he imagined the Secretary of State for the Colonies would on his representation unhesitatingly sanction, he has borrowed money from the banks, ordered iron and machinery, and incurred liabilities of one sort and another which, all taken together, are for so small a community very serious ones. A hundred thousand pounds will not meet them. One way in which he has just now been throwing away a considerable sum of money is in undertaking to carry mails and passengers between Perth and Albany by vans hauled by the Government and driven by the police instead of getting this service done by contract. He spent some two thousand pounds before making a start, and van, horses and drivers have been in difficulties from the first. No sooner did the van leave the police yard on its maiden trip than it was upset into the river, and from that time to this its history has been one of disaster. At the same time that Sir Harry is flinging away the money of the tax-payers in schemes like these he has adopted some allowances which have for years past been made to aged and helpless people—allowances actually voted by the Legislative Council—and this, as may be supposed, has led to very unpleasant remarks. His Excellency being so exceedingly liberal with the public money in other respects—especially where his private convenience is concerned. A bazaar, under the patronage of Lady Ord, in aid of the Protestant Orphanage, which was held the other day in the Government domains, was a great success, the takings being over four hundred and fifty pounds—really a wonderful sum for a small place like Perth.

Everything in the way of business is exceedingly dull and the profusion of the Governor's promises, the value of which is now beginning to be understood, fails to brighten the prospect or raise any hopes. Still, every one, down to the poorest, gets enough, and nearly all are well fed, well clothed, and well housed—that is for the climate—and when this is the case, and all Nature is bright and healthful without, no one can be said to be very miserable, nor the condition of things to be so very pitiable. —Strodt's Times.

HOW TO MANAGE HOME PLAYS.

The first thing is to set at your room, and arrange your stage. If you have a large double drawing-room with folding doors, you have your proscenium ready made; but if you have only a large ordinary room at your disposal, then the proscenium has to be constructed. But, whatever the room, it is necessary to have a communication with the house from behind the curtain. Of course, the chief thing to guard against is damaging the walls or ceiling, and therefore it is as well to personally superintend the carpenter you employ. I fancy I hear the prudent housewife exclaim at once, "Oh, if you are obliged to call in a carpenter, what an expense it will be." And, in reply, I hasten to reassure her that the sort of shillings. Having measured the height and width of your room, get two pieces of four-inch quartering, it does not matter how rough the wood is—and bays them out to within

two or three inches of the ceiling—these form the uprights. Then take a similar piece of wood for a cross-piece, and having cut it exactly to fit the two uprights, wedge it up between the side-posts so as to fix them tightly against the wall, and then screw all firmly together. The uprights must be further secured to the floor by a couple of L brackets. Repeat the process half-way up, and again at the extreme end of your stage; or if your stage is more than twelve feet deep, at intervals of six feet. Then connect the three frames you have made with a piece of wood running along the top of each side. You have the skeleton of your stage complete, now you must clothe it. First comes your floor, and if your room is lofty enough it will greatly aid to the effect if you raise the stage; and it is really very little extra expense, because you can always agree with your carpenter to hire the wood, then you have little else except the labour to pay for. —Casell's Family Magazine.

THE CLERICAL CO-OPERATIVE STORES.—Bishop: "Very sorry, my lady, that the Dean of Archer cannot take your orders; he is at this moment engaged with the 'prebendaries' committee on dried fruits and cracker bon-bons." —Funny Folks.

AN Italian Princess who is about to be married has had her trousseau made in Paris. In order to let her know how to wear her dresses and what to wear under them, the dress-maker had sent with each toilet a little doll attired from head to foot exactly as the lady herself should be dressed, shoes, stockings, shirt, head-dresses, gloves and every detail being reproduced in the costume of the doll.

SCARCELY CREDIBLE.—At the last monthly meeting of the Gateshead Town Council, Mr. Alderman Newall stated that he had heard of a case where a boy had died of scarlatina, and between fifty and sixty children were made to kiss that body prior to interment. No wonder that sixty deaths from scarlatina in six weeks were reported from the same meeting, if, as is stated as a fact, such barbarous and cruel customs are quite common in that locality! Cannot the local clergy, ymen and medical officers of health do something in the way of giving simple lectures to these poor people, and demonstrate to them the amount of disease and death they are disseminating by force of sheer ignorance? —Sanitary Record.

COMMERCIAL.

MESSRS HEINEMANN & Co's Freight Circular for the Mail of Saturday, 15th February, says:—

The freight market has maintained the healthier tone noticed in last Report, a fair amount of business has been transacted, and though homeward freights are still ruling low, more demand has existed than for some time past, while coastwise inquiry for suitable vessels continue and rates are firm. Homewards, several settlements have been effected from this port to London and Hamburg, but there has been no inquiry yet from the Philippines either for the States or the United Kingdom.

Coastwise, a fair demand has sprung up for the Northern Ports, and rates lately paid show a decided improvement. For Saigon, several steamers have been chartered at former rates, while sailing tonnage has remained neglected.

The British barque W. B. Gladstone, 534 tons, and the British barque Camarcorinthia, 383 tons, proceed to Saigon under orders from home.

The disengaged tonnage in port amounts to 89 vessels, registering 26,363 tons, steamers not included.

The following are the settlements:—

British ship Strathguth, 1159, to London, private.

Norwegian barque Sumarhild, 948, to London, private.

German barque Hansa, 499, to Hamburg, private.

German S.M. schooner Holstein, 281, to Hamburg, private.

German barque Fridrich, 692, Saigon to Channel, for orders to one Port in the United Kingdom or Continent, between Havre and Copenhagen, private.

French barque Fanny, 814, Saigon to one port in France, private.

French barque Charles Maureau, 869, Saigon to Mauritius, private.

American ship, Black Hawk, 1126, to San Francisco, \$5,000 gold in full.

American S.M. schooner Mignon, 494, to Honolulu, \$3,000 gold in full.

Norwegian barque Stat, 581, to Keelung and back, \$2 per ton of 20 cwt, 22 day days.

French barque Reperance, 274, to Keelung and back, \$1.80 per ton of 20 cwt, 12 day days.

French barque Therese and Nelly, 353, Takao to Yokohama and back, to Hongkong via Newchwang, 44 cents per picul, 40 day days.

American S.M. schooner Wm. Phillips, 592, to Tournon, \$1,000 in full.

British barque Hylton Castle, 548, to Tournon, \$1,500 in full, 30 day days.

American barque F. Fitzpatrick, 580, to Bangkok, \$400 in full, 30 day days.

American barque John B. Stanhope, 406, to Bangkok and back, (inside the Bay) 27 cents per picul, (outside the Bay) 22 cents per picul, 55 day days.

British barque Prince Arthur, 298, Whampoa to Utholao and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 31 cents per picul, 80 day days, if back to Whampoa, 38 cents per picul.

British barque Echo, 369 Whampoa to Chetoo and back, to Hongkong via Newchwang, 32 cents per picul, 80 day days.

German barque Elizabeth, 447, to Newchwang and back, 31 cents per picul, 33 day days.

British barque Northern Star, 847, to Newchwang and back, 30 cents per picul, 28 day days.

French barque Eve, 833, Whampoa to Tientsin and back, via Newchwang, 44 cents per picul, 38 day days.

German steamer Olympia, 738, to Saigon and back, 20 cents per picul, 14 day days.

British steamer Penelo, 659, to Saigon and back (three trips) 21 cents per picul, 14 day days.

British steamer Fernambuco, 648, Saigon to Hongkong, 17 cents per picul, 9 day days.

British steamer Filadelfia, 1229, Saigon to Hongkong, 16 cents per picul, 12 day days.

British steamer Killarney, 1080, Saigon to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul, 12 day days.

Norwegian steamer Hakon Adalsten, 904, to Saigon, \$900 in full.

American barque Hall Columbia, 558, monthly charter, \$900 per month.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

| Vessel's Name. | Anchor. | Captain. | Flag and Rig. | Tons. | Date of Arrival. | Consignee or Agents. | Destination. | Remarks. |
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| Steamers | | | | | | | | |
| Albay | 4 | F. Ashton | Brit. str. | 366 | Jan. 18 | Douglas Lapraik & Co. | K'loon Dock | |
| America | 4 | Graham | Brit. str. | 1000 | Jan. 17 | Birley & Co. | To-day | |
| Aratoun Apoor | 5 | MacLachlan | Brit. str. | 1392 | Feb. 6 | David Sassoon, Sons & Co. | S'pore, Calcutta, &c. | |
| Bombay | 1 | MacLachlan | Brit. str. | 749 | Feb. 12 | Kwok Acheong | Australian Ports | 22nd inst. |
| Brisbane | 2 | Reddell | Brit. str. | 891 | Feb. 10 | Gibb, Livingston & Co. | Port Darwin | 17th inst. |
| Burmese | 4 | Langer | Brit. str. | 1951 | Feb. 10 | Molchers & Co. | Y'pema & San F'elisco | 17th inst. |
| Cassandra | 4 | Langer | Brit. str. | 897 | Feb. 10 | Siemens & Co. | Malla, 24th | |
| Charlton | 4 | Johnson | Brit. str. | 786 | Feb. 10 | Geo. R. Stevens & Co. | Manila | To-day |
| City of Peking | 6 | Erry | Brit. str. | 5079 | Feb. 7 | P. M. S. S. Co. | Shanghai | 17th inst. |
| Clive | 6 | Therod | Brit. str. | 810 | Feb. 14 | Russell & Co. | Tug Plying | To-day |
| Diamond | 6 | Cullen | Brit. str. | 614 | Feb. 15 | Russell & Co. | at daylight | |
| Emeralda | 6 | Stepani | Brit. str. | 395 | Feb. 15 | H. K. & W'p'a Dock Co. | Europe, &c. | To-day |
| Fame | 6 | Gorde | Brit. str. | 277 | Feb. 12 | Douglas Lapraik & Co. | Manila | 17th inst. |
| Haloon | 6 | Johnson | Brit. str. | 1136 | Feb. 12 | Siemens & Co. | Shanghai | To-day |
| Hesperia | 6 | Punchard | Brit. str. | 675 | Feb. 12 | Douglas Lapraik & Co. | Coast Ports | To-day |
| Kwangtung | 2 | Clark | Brit. str. | 994 | Feb. 11 | P. & O. S. N. Co. | Europe, &c. | To-day |
| Maharajah | 4 | Temlin | Brit. str. | 1775 | Feb. 10 | Remedios & Co. | Manila | To-day |
| Malwa | 4 | Munoz | Span. str. | 400 | Feb. 14 | C. M. S. N. Co. | Hoihow & Haiphong | To-morrow |
| Marveles | 4 | Marsden | Chi. str. | 181 | Feb. 14 | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | S'pore, Calcutta, &c. | To-day |
| Me-li | 4 | Butcher | Brit. str. | 1427 | Feb. 13 | Douglas Lapraik & Co. | Coast Ports | To-day |
| Moray | 6 | Westoby | Brit. str. | 862 | Feb. 13 | Siemens & Co. | Shanghai | To-day |
| Ningpo | 6 | Cass | Brit. str. | 761 | June 26 | Kwok Acheong | Australian Ports | K'loon Dock |
| Noria | 3 | Edmondson | Brit. str. | 971 | Feb. 10 | Geo. R. Stevens & Co. | Saloon | 21st inst. |
| Oceah | 4 | Hernheim | Ger. str. | 69 | Jan. 10 | Siemens & Co. | Bangkok | To-day |
| Pacific | 4 | Hernheim | Ger. str. | 643 | Dec. 22 | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | Yokohama | 20th inst. |
| Pernambuco | 3 | McKirdy | Belg. str. | 2207 | Dec. 17 | Yuen Fat Hong | London, &c. | at daylight |
| Perusia | 3 | McKirdy | Belg. str. | 933 | Dec. 17 | Yuen Fat Hong | Swatow | K'loon Dock |
| Rajasthanubhar | 2 | Hopkins | Brit. str. | 48 | July 18 | P. & O. S. N. Co. | New York | Portland |
| Sea Gull | 8 | Reeves | Brit. str. | 1029 | Feb. 12 | Butterfield & Swire | San Francisco | Channel f.o. |
| Sunda | 6 | Power | Brit. str. | 820 | Jan. 9 | Douglas Lapraik & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Taheer | 6 | Geggh | Brit. str. | 286 | Feb. 11 | Kwok Acheong | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Yokohama | 2 | Huer | Brit. str. | 69 | Jan. 29 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Zephyr | 1 | Huer | Brit. str. | 69 | Jan. 29 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Sailing Vessels | | | | | | | | |
| Abney Cowper | 3 | Carr | Brit. bge. | 689 | Jan. 29 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Agate | 3 | Carr | Brit. bge. | 689 | Jan. 29 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Alden Bass | 3 | Noyes | Amer. bge. | 850 | Dec. 17 | Rosario & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Alfredo | 3 | Pittaluga | Ital. bge. | 960 | Jan. 17 | Borneo Co., Limited | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Arabella | 3 | Pearson | Brit. bge. | 665 | Feb. 4 | Master | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Beethoven | 3 | Boje | Ger. bge. | 840 | Jan. 25 | Melehorn & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Black Hawk | 3 | Boylard | Amer. sh. | 1126 | Jan. 18 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Black Watch | 3 | Kennish | Brit. sh. | 491 | Dec. 28 | Arnold, Karberg & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Bury St. Edmund | 3 | Kadekjes | Dan. sh. | 713 | Jan. 28 | Borneo Co., Limited | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Channel Queen | 3 | Lachur | Brit. sh. | 669 | Feb. 9 | Landstein & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Charles Maurel | 3 | Fustren | Foh. bge. | 1838 | Jan. 21 | J. J. dos Remedios & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Christina | 3 | Capra | Nic.3. mao. | 173 | Dec. 18 | W. F. Ray | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Colona | 3 | Hall | Amer. bge. | 863 | Nov. 23 | Russell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Commissary | 3 | Morison | Brit. sh. | 900 | Feb. 9 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Conchita | 3 | Arias | Span. lge. | 408 | Feb. 9 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Cora | 3 | Pearce | Brit. bge. | 454 | Feb. 9 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Cresswell | 3 | White | Brit. bge. | 454 | Feb. 9 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Deux Freres | 3 | Channen | Foh. bge. | 442 | Feb. 9 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Elizabeth | 3 | Ohlsen | Ger. bge. | 904 | Oct. 17 | Borneo Co., Limited | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Elizabeth Nicholson | 3 | Griferson | Brit. sh. | 282 | Feb. 17 | Rosario & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Formosa | 3 | Chawert | Ger. bge. | 744 | Dec. 17 | Rosario & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Forward | 3 | Vandevord | Brit. bge. | 409 | Feb. 4 | Wieler & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Hanza | 3 | Denecken | Ger. bge. | 566 | Dec. 1 | Captain | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Hattie N. Barge | 3 | Bayes | Amer. 3m. sc. | 877 | Jan. 10 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Hatburat | 3 | Goudey | Brit. bge. | 608 | Jan. 2 | Russell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Helene | 3 | Snow | Amer. bge. | 678 | Jan. 2 | Rosario & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Herbert Black | 3 | Treat | Amer. sh. | 1352 | June 19 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Highlander | 3 | Hutthinson | Ger. 3m. sc. | 281 | Jan. 10 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Holstein | 3 | Kulper | Brit. bge. | 547 | Feb. 6 | Arnold, Karberg & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Hylon Castle | 3 | Scott | Amer. sh. | 1450 | Dec. 18 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Invisible | 3 | Strickland | Amer. sch. | 481 | Jan. 13 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Irene | 3 | Yatdon | Brit. bge. | 849 | Feb. 14 | Melehorn & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| James Shepherd | 3 | Madison | Amer. bge. | 406 | Feb. 12 | Arnold, Karberg & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| John R. Stanhope | 3 | Madison | Amer. bge. | 406 | Feb. 12 | Arnold, Karberg & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Julie | 3 | Manney | Fren. bge. | 604 | Feb. 12 | Carlowitz & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Kirkland | 3 | Collidge | Brit. bge. | 468 | Jan. 24 | Wieler & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Lota | 3 | Dudfield | Brit. bge. | 472 | Jan. 18 | Edward Schellhass & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Louis | 3 | Shierlich | Ger. 3m. sc. | 245 | Oct. 17 | Edward Schellhass & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Maria Louise | 3 | Kriehagen | Ger. bge. | 442 | Jan. 20 | Wieler & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Marquis of Argyll | 3 | McKeon | Brit. bge. | 600 | Dec. 10 | Russell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Mathless | 3 | Dawes | Amer. sh. | 1165 | Nov. 10 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Mignon | 3 | Soule | Amer. 3m. sc. | 474 | Jan. 1 | Ohlness | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Morning Star | 3 | Mihelsen | Slam. bge. | 580 | Feb. 30 | Wieler & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Northern Star | 3 | Wortley | Brit. bge. | 327 | Jan. 4 | Lane, Crawford & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Pallas | 3 | Bailly | Ger. bge. | 421 | Feb. 9 | Siemens & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Papa | 3 | Biese | Ger. bge. | 392 | Feb. 10 | Carlowitz & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Paul-Marie | 3 | Gaillard | Foh. bge. | 324 | Feb. 12 | Captain | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Paul Revere | 3 | Mullins | Amer. sh. | 1736 | Feb. 11 | Wieler & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Philippine | 3 | Southwood | Brit. bge. | 301 | Jan. 18 | Russell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Pilgrim | 3 | Fowle | Amer. sh. | 950 | Jan. 13 | Rosario & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| P. Fitzpatrick | 3 | Phelan | Amer. bge. | 689 | Feb. 14 | Remedios & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Ralph M. Hayward | 3 | Doane | Amer. sch. | 611 | Dec. 10 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Rosetta McNeil | 3 | Brown | Amer. bge. | 611 | Dec. 10 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| San Lorenzo | 3 | Vidarte | Span. sch. | 98 | Jan. 1 | Adams, Bell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Silver Eagle | 3 | Biehard | Brit. bge. | 586 | Jan. 26 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Stillman B. Allen | 3 | Taylor | Amer. bge. | 1102 | Dec. 30 | Arnold, Karberg & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Stonewall Jackson | 3 | Bartlett | Amer. bge. | 1169 | Dec. 17 | Russell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Strathmore | 3 | Miller | Brit. bge. | 500 | Dec. 23 | Captain | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Sumatrala | 3 | Hemsworth | Norw. sh. | 943 | Jan. 9 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Sumatra | 3 | Tobiasen | Amer. sh. | 1090 | Sept. 6 | Russell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Sydenham | 3 | Milgh | Brit. sh. | 1068 | Jan. 6 | Vogel & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Thos. A. Goddard | 3 | Smith | Amer. bge. | 682 | Jan. 24 | Douglas Lapraik & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Vicenta | 3 | Tremoya | Span. bge. | 618 | Jan. 13 | Remedios & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Wm. Phillips | 3 | Healy | Amer. sch. | 692 | Jan. 13 | Captain | Portland (Oregon) | |
| WEAMPOA | | | | | | | | |
| Corduan | 3 | Bertand | Foh. bge. | 459 | Feb. 4 | Carlowitz & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Delphin | 3 | Lilienthal | Ger. 3m. sc. | 238 | Feb. 10 | Wieler & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Echo | 3 | Toser | Brit. bge. | 369 | Feb. 8 | Arnold, Karberg & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Eve | 3 | Merceron | Foh. bge. | 327 | Feb. 12 | Meyer & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Helene | 3 | Volgardsen | Ger. bge. | 82 | Jan. 18 | Wieler & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Pacific Slope | 3 | Tank | Brit. bge. | 799 | Jan. 18 | Russell & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| Prince Arthur | 3 | Wills | Brit. bge. | 296 | Feb. 11 | Edward Schellhass & Co. | Portland (Oregon) | |
| CANTON | | | | | | | | |
| China | 3 | Ackermann | Ger. str. | 648 | Feb. 18 | Siemens & Co. | Shanghai | |
| Hwai Yuen | 3 | Wilson | Chi. str. | 984 | Feb. 18 | C. M. S. N. Co. | Shanghai | |

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

| Vessel's Name. | Anchor. | Flag. | Class. | Tons. | H. P. | Date of Arrival. | Commander. |
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| Armid | 7 | French | Flag-ship (iron-clad) | 3800 | 12 | Jan. 21 | de la Barriere |
| Ashuelot | 6 | U. S. | corvette | 1370 | 6 | Feb. 12 | Geo. H. Perkins |
| Fly | 6 | British | gun vessel | 584 | 4 | Dec. 21 | M. McNeil |
| Lily | 6 | British | gun vessel | 700 | 3 | Jan. 28 | B. E. Cochrane |
| Macanes | 6 | British | military hospital | 2591 | 4 | Jan. 30 | Lt. Com. G. A. Grey |
| Monquemo | 6 | British | gunboat | 495 | 4 | Jan. 30 | Commodore Watson |
| Victor Emanuel | 6 | British | Commodore's flag-ship | 3087 | 20 | Jan. 30 | Commodore Watson |

FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.

Feb. 8, 1879.

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HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, Feb. 15th, 1879.

At 1095 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

| Butcher Meat. | | Price. | Chinese Names. |
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| | | English. | Cash. |
| Bacon, English, . | lb. | 450 | 400 |
| " Ame. Sugar cured, . | " | 270 | 250 |
| " Foochow, . | " | 260 | 180 |
| Beef, sirloin and prime cut, cy. | | 160 | 150 |
| Beef Corned, . | catty | 130 | 120 |
| " Roast, . | " | 140 | 130 |
| " Soup, . | " | 80 | 70 |
| " Steak, . | " | 144 | 130 |
| Bullocks' Brains, . | per set | 50 | 40 |
| " Tongue, fresh, each | | 300 | 270 |
| " " corned, each | | 300 | 2.0 |
| " Head, . | " | 500 | 4.0 |
| " Heart, . | " | 130 | 120 |
| " Hump, Salt . | catty | 130 | 120 |
| " Feet, . | each | 45 | 35 |
| " Kidneys, . | " | 55 | 45 |
| " Tail, . | " | 100 | 90 |
| " Liver, . | catty | 70 | 60 |
| " Tripe (undressed), catty | | 55 | 45 |
| Calves' Head and Feet, set | | 600 | 500 |
| Hams, American, . | lb. | 320 | 300 |
| " Chinese, . | " | 220 | 200 |
| " English . | " | 380 | 320 |
| Mutton Chop, . | " | 160 | 150 |
| " Leg, . | " | 160 | 150 |
| " Shoulder, . | " | 120 | 110 |
| Pigs' Chittlings, . | catty | 70 | 60 |
| " Feet, . | " | 100 | 90 |
| " Eys, . | " | 110 | 100 |
| " Head, . | " | 90 | 80 |
| " Heart, . | each | 60 | 50 |
| " Kidneys, . | " | 90 | 80 |
| " Liver, . | lb. | 110 | 100 |
| Pork, Chop, . | catty | 160 | 150 |
| " Corned, . | " | 140 | 130 |
| " Leg, . | " | 160 | 150 |
| " Fat or Lard, . | " | 120 | 110 |
| Sheeps' Head, and Feet, set | | 450 | 400 |
| " Heart, . | each | 50 | 40 |
| " Kidneys, . | " | 70 | 60 |
| " Liver, . | " | 140 | 130 |
| Sucking Pigs, . | " | \$2.25 | \$1.50 |
| Suet, Beef, . | lb. | 120 | — |
| " Mutton, . | " | 120 | 110 |
| Sweet Bread, . | catty | 130 | 120 |
| Veal, . | " | 140 | 130 |

| Chinese Names. | |
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| 米路烟猪肉 | 花旗烟猪肉 |
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